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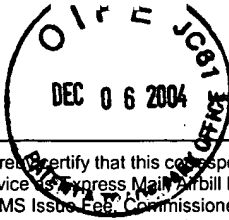
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For: NITRIDE SEMICONDUCTOR LASER
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APPARATUS THEREWITH

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This amendment after allowance is being filed prior to the payment of the issue fee. Claim 21 has been amended to correct a typographical error. Applicants respectfully request acceptance of this amendment as it does not introduce any new matter and is not believed to require additional search or examination.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.